

A Perspective of the Convention on Migratory Species(CMS)

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AGENDA

- Origin/Objectives of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals
- CMS – Who? How? When?
- Summary Achievements of CMS
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- Best Practices to Adopt



Origin/Objectives of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals

is an international treaty, under the **the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)**
It aims to conserve terrestrial, marine and avian migratory species throughout their range. It is concerned with the conservation of wildlife and habitats on a global scale

It is commonly referred to as the Convention on Migratory Species (CMS) or the Bonn Convention .

Meanwhile, the **CMS COP** is

The Conference of the Parties (COP) is the decision making body of CMS which meets at intervals of 2 to 3 years to review the implementation of the convention and to decide on priorities for future work.

The Executive Secretary is Amy Fraenkel



CMS – Who? How? When?

The CMS was signed in 1979

in **Bad Godesberg**, a suburb of Bonn,

and entered into force **on November 1, 1983**

Liberia became signatory to the Convention, December 1, 2004

The depositary is the government of

the Federal Republic of Germany

with Headquarters in Bonn, Germany

Since the convention's entry into force its membership has grown steadily to include 131 Countries from Africa, Central and South America, Asia, Europe and Oceania.



Summary Achievements of CMS

- ❑ Liberia submitted her National Report August 2017
- ❑ Liberia submitted her National Report August 2019
- ❑ The Conservation Unit is working in close collaboration with FDA, Wild Chimpanzee Foundation and Transitional Crime Unit, Under the EU-Project to Strengthen Local Communities and the Law Enforcement Network to combat Wildlife and Forest Crime in Liberia



Cont'd Key Achievements

- ❑ Worked with Forestry Development Authority (FDA) and Society for the Conservation of Nature Liberia (SCNL) to identify species in Liberia that covered Appendix II of Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals
- ❑ Working along with Bird Watching Club to identify bird species in Liberia



Cont'd Key Achievements

- ❑ Participated in the CMS Conference of Parties(COP) 12, 13 in Manilla, Philippines and Gandihinagar, Gujarat, India



Cont'd Key Achievements

 **COP 12** 

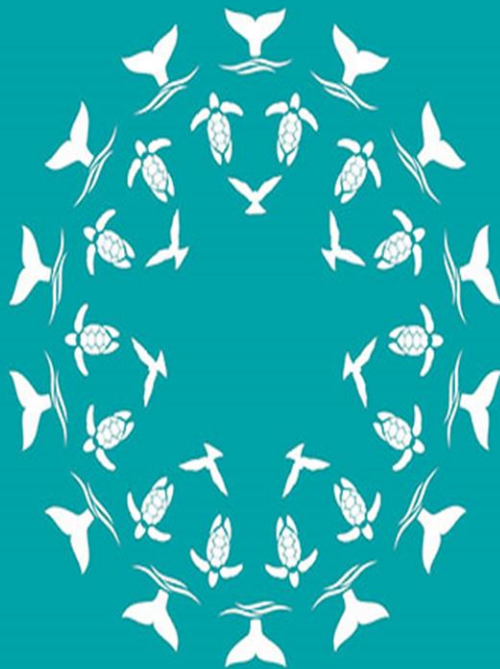


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Cont'd Key Achievements



CMS

COP 13

CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES
TO THE CONVENTION ON
MIGRATORY SPECIES

17 - 22 FEBRUARY

2020

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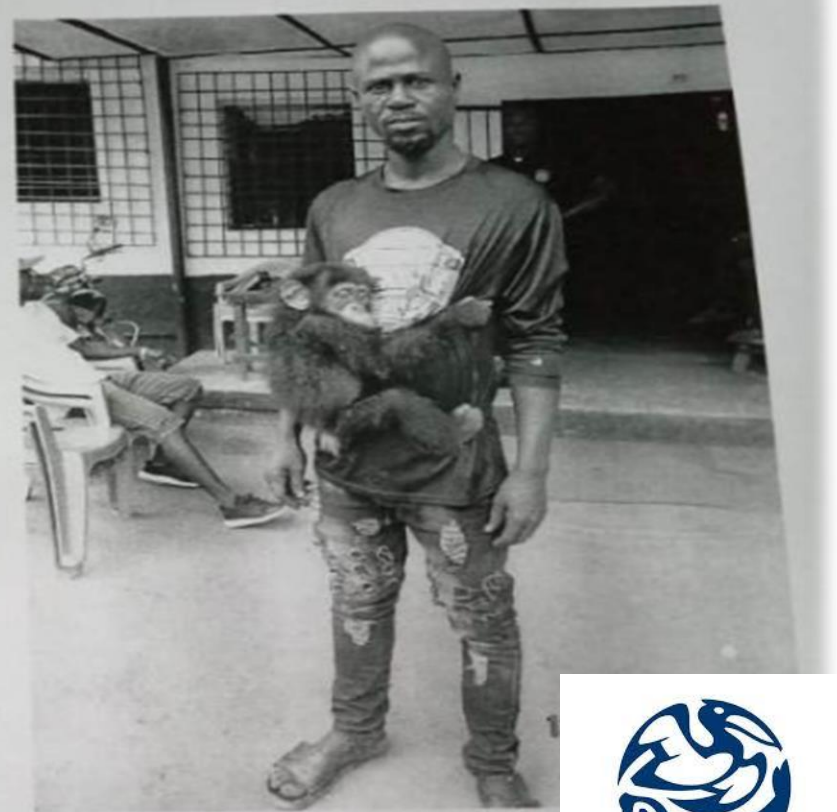
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GOL's Intervention on Protecting Wildlife

Forestry Development
Authority (FDA) Division of
Wildlife Conservation.
Wildlife law of Liberia

**Poacher was arrested by the
FDA for the illegal possession
of Chimpanzee. He has been
sentenced to prison for 3
months or pay a fine of \$
150.00 USD for violation of the
wildlife law of Liberia under
Chapter 11. Section 11.2**



GOL's Intervention on Protecting Wildlife



Key Challenges

- Poor synergies amongst MEAs Focal Point to support the CMS activities
- Poor Information Sharing
- Weak coordination
- Capacity Building
- Funding



Best Practices To Adopt

- ❑ Effective Coordination and Cooperation;
- ❑ Building Synergies within the MEAs;
- ❑ Domesticating the Conventions;
- ❑ Increasing Public Awareness and Education;
- ❑ Increasing Capacity Building
- ❑ Information sharing and Networkin



THE END!!!

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